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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Administrator **Public Service Commission of South Carolina** 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated's Establishment of a Solar Choice Metering Tariff Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20 (See Docket No. 2019-182-E)

Docket No. 2020-229-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("DESC") is DESC's First Set of Discovery Requests to Vote Solar.

By copy of this letter DESC is providing a copy of these requests to the parties of record and encloses a certificate of service to that effect.

If you have any questions or need anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Matthew W. Gissendanner

MWG/kms Enclosure

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(all via electronic mail only w/enclosures)

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2020-229-E

Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.'s) Establishment of a Solar Choice Metering Tariff) Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20) DOMINION ENERGY SOUTH CAROLINA, INC.'S FIRST SET OF DISCOVERY REQUESTS

TO: VOTE SOLAR

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. §§ 103-833 and 103-835, and Rule 36 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure ("SCRCP"), Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("DESC"), by and through its undersigned counsel, requests that Vote Solar ("Intervenor") answer the corresponding interrogatories under oath and produce all documents or other materials responsive to the corresponding requests for production (collectively, the "Discovery Requests") within twenty (20) days of the date of service hereof to the address of the undersigned, set forth below.

INSTRUCTIONS

IT IS HEREIN REQUESTED:

- 1. That all information, documents, and other materials be provided to the undersigned in the format as requested.
- 2. That all responses to the below Discovery Requests be labeled using the same numbers as used herein.
- 3. That if the requested information, documents, or other materials are found in other places or in other exhibits, reference not be made to those, but, instead, that the information,

documents, or other materials be reproduced and placed in the responses to the interrogatory or requests for production in the appropriate sequence.

- 4. That any inquiries or communication relating to questions concerning clarifications be directed to the undersigned.
- 5. Provide copies of the information responsive to each Discovery Request in native electronic working format with all data (including source data) and formulas intact in an unprotected and unlocked form to allow auditing and verification of inputs, methods, and formulas.
 - 6. That each Discovery Request be reproduced at the beginning of the response thereto.
- 7. That Intervenor provide the undersigned with responses to the Discovery Requests as soon as possible, but <u>not later than twenty (20) days from the date of service hereof.</u>
- 8. If the response to any Discovery Request is that the information requested is not currently available, state why the information is not currently available and when the information requested will become available.
- 9. The Discovery Requests be deemed continuing so as to require Intervenor to supplement or amend its responses as any additional information, documents, or other materials become available up to and through the date of hearing.
- 10. If a privilege not to answer is claimed, identify and describe each matter as to which privilege is claimed, the nature of the privilege, and the legal and factual basis for each such claim. In the event that a claim of privilege is raised pursuant to a common interest, provide the common interest agreement or joint defense agreement upon which the privilege is raised.

- 11. If a refusal to answer is based upon the grounds that same would be unduly burdensome, identify the number and nature of documents needed to be searched, the location of the documents, and the number of man hours and costs required to conduct the search.
- 12. Answer based upon the entire knowledge of Intervenor, including information in the possession of Intervenor, its officers, members, parents, subsidiaries, directors, consultants, representatives, agents, experts, and attorneys, if any.
- 13. If any Discovery Request cannot be answered in full, answer to the extent possible and specify the reasons for Your inability to provide a complete answer.
- 14. Please provide responses to the Requests electronically. To the extent this is impracticable, the responses, including any responsive documents, should be provided at the address of the undersigned, set forth below, or some mutually convenient location otherwise agreed to by the parties.

DEFINITIONS

- 1. The term "Docket" shall mean Commission Docket No. 2020-229-E.
- 2. The term "communication(s)" when used in these Discovery Requests shall include the transmittal of information by any means, written, oral, electronic or otherwise.
- 3. The terms "Intervenor," "You," and "Your" shall mean Vote Solar together with its employees, agents, consultants, experts, subsidiaries, affiliates, parent, and other operational or functional units and all officers, directors, owners, members, employees, agents, and representatives of Intervenor. The terms also include all other persons acting on behalf of Intervenor.
- 4. The term "DESC" shall mean Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc., formerly South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, together with its employees, agents, consultants,

experts, subsidiaries, affiliates, parents, and other operational or functional units and all officers, directors, owners, members, employees, agents, and representatives of these entities. It also includes all other persons acting on behalf of DESC.

- 5. The terms "document(s)" shall mean all written, recorded or graphic matters whatsoever and all non-identical copies thereof, including but not limited to papers, books, records, letters, photographs, correspondence, communications, electronic mail, text messages, social media records, telegrams, cables, telex messages, evidences of payment, checks, memoranda, notes, notations, work papers, transcripts, minutes, reports, recordings of telephone or other conversations, statements, summaries, opinions, studies, analyses, evaluations, contracts, agreements, jottings, agendas, bulletins, notices, announcements, advertisements, guidelines, charts, manuals, brochures, publications, schedules, price lists, subscription lists, customer lists, journals, statistical reports, desk calendars, appointment books, diaries, lists, tabulations, newsletters, drafts, proofs, galleys, or other prepublication forms of materials, telephone lists or indexes, rolodexes, computer printouts, data processing program libraries, data processing input and outputs, microfilm, microfiches, CD-ROMs, books of account, records or invoices reflecting business operations, all records kept by electronic, photographic, or mechanical means, any notes or drafts relating to any of the foregoing, and any other documents as defined in Rule 34 of the SCRCP of any kind in Your possession, custody or control or to which You have access or knowledge of its existence. The above list is not meant to be exhaustive but to demonstrate the breadth of the items that may be considered "documents."
- 6. The terms "identify" or "identity" used with reference to an individual means to state his or her full name, present or last known address, present or last known position and business

affiliation, and employer, title, and position at the time in question. If the person was an officer, director, trustee, commissioner, or employee, also state the job title and areas of responsibility.

- 7. The terms "identify" or "identity" used with reference to a writing means to state the date, author, type of document (e.g., letter, memorandum, telegram, chart, note, application, etc.), or other means of identification, and its present location or custodian. If any such document is no longer in Your possession or subject to Your control, state what disposition was made of it.
- 8. The term "Motion" shall mean Your Motion to Require Additional Notice and Establish a Public Participation Hearing, filed in the Docket on December 22, 2020.
- 9. The term "person" shall mean any individual, partnership, firm, association, corporation, government agency, or other business or legal entity.
- 10. The terms "relating to," "relate to," and "related to" mean directly or indirectly, expressly or implied, mentioning, describing, pertaining to, being connected with, or reflecting upon the subject matter of the specific request.
- 11. Please construe "and" as well as "or" either disjunctively or conjunctively as necessary to bring within the scope of these Discovery Requests any information which might otherwise be construed outside their scope.

INTERROGATORIES

- 1. Describe with detail and specificity the basis for Your statement in footnote 10 of the Motion that "Vote Solar is particularly concerned that a large number of low-income or moderate-income customers may have taken advantage of twenty-year solar leases."
- 2. Identify all solar leases known to You with a term in excess of ten years whereby an electric customer in DESC's service territory leases solar photovoltaic distributed generation (i.e., rooftop solar).
- 3. Identify all solar leases known to You with a term not to exceed ten years whereby an electric customer in DESC's service territory leases solar photovoltaic distributed generation (i.e., rooftop solar).

REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION

- 1. Produce all documents identified, described, relied upon, or referred to in responding to DESC's First Set of Interrogatories served contemporaneously herewith.
- 2. Produce all communications identified, described, relied upon, or referred to in responding to DESC's First Set of Interrogatories served contemporaneously herewith.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Cayce, South Carolina This 29th day of January, 2021.

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OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2020-229-E

Dominion	Energy	South	Carolina,	Inc.'s)	
Establishment of a Solar Choice Metering Tariff)						CERTIFICATE OF
Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20)	SERVICE
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This is to certify that I have caused to be served on this day one (1) copy of **DOMINION ENERGY SOUTH CAROLINA, INC.'S FIRST SET OF DISCOVERY REQUESTS** via electronic mail upon the persons named below, addressed as follows:

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